could not do this. The present arrangements were, in his opinion, sufficient and far better. It was merely the residents of Mysore City who asked for such an enlarged Council as had been described. The Moffusil Representatives did not approve of it. Mr. Kalasapur Tammaiya (Coffee Planter and R. M. from Hassan District L. F. Board) concurred, and added that the representations made in this Assembly on behalf of the various interests in the country were being heard and acted upon in the best interests of the community as a whole. That was sufficient.

Dewan's reply.—When the necessity arises for constituting a Legislative Council we will of course form one, and in doing so take into consideration the various suggestions which have been made to-day. The Planters have been asking for certain Legislative measures and have not yet got them, not because the Durbar are unwilling or there is not a Planter member on His Highness' Council. The measures they want have to emanate from the British Legislature.

Subject No. 2.
Representations on behalf of the Mining Board.

Mr. R. Hancock (R. M. from the Kolar Gold Fields Mining Board) spoke a few words on the following subjects:—

(a) Legislation for the protection of Gold Quartz, &c.

(*a*) The Dewan was good enough to receive a deputation from the Kolar Mining Board since the meeting of the last D. R. A. on the subject of Legislation for the protection of Gold Quartz amalgam, sponge-gold or gold in the course of preparation.

(b) Gold Fields Road.

(*b*) The roads have been bad and, in some parts, dangerous. Repairs have recently been taken in hand. But they should be completed soon, and three or four coolies continually employed on every mile to maintain it in good condition.

(c) A loop road required.

(*c*) A loop road about two miles in length to join the Betamangalam Main Road to that leading from Bowringpet to the Mines is necessary, as it will afford facilities for reaching the Balaghat Railway Station from either side of the Gold Fields.

(d) Acknowledgments of the Gold Field Mining Board.

(*d*) Acknowledgments of the Board for the Gold Fields Railway opened a few months ago, and for the manner in which the wants of the Mining interests have been attended to by the Government.

Dewan's reply.—A draft of the proposed Regulation for the protection of Gold Quartz, &c., was sent to the Board, and the Board furnished Government with their remarks and suggestions. The Government of India desired that the measure should be held in abeyance, pending a report on certain investigations which they have ordered their Inspector of Mines (Mr. Grundy) to make. This information has been already furnished to the Gold Mining Board. Mr. Grundy is making these investigations and is now in Kolar. The other points shall receive consideration.